

Jefferson Valley Conservation District

Minutes

January 19, 2016

Whitehall USDA Building

Supervisors Present: John Heide – Chair, Mark Gornick – Vice-Chair, Tom Carey, Jr., Gerry Keogh

Others: Kris Hugulet – District Administrator, Nancy Sweeney – NRCS

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM by Chairman, John Heide.

MINUTES:

The minutes from the previous meeting which was held in October, were reviewed. A motion by Gerry to approve the minutes was heard and seconded by Tom. The motion carried and the minutes were approved as submitted.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Board reviewed the financial report to date. A motion by Gerry to approve the financial report was heard and seconded by Tom. The motion carried and the financial report was approved as submitted. Kris reviewed the recent billing and invoices. Tom made a motion to approve the payment of the invoices submitted. Mark seconded the motion and the motion carried.

BUSINESS:

Jefferson River Watershed Update:

No report was submitted at this time.

310 Applications:

JV-21-15 – Victoria Manger – Fish Creek – this application has been declared a project. An on-site inspection has been completed. This application received the Board's final decision.

JV-22-15 – Ed Simon – Slaughterhouse Slough – this application has been declared a project. An on-site inspection has been completed. This application received the Board's final decision.

JV-23 – 15 – Schellinger Construction – Boulder River – this application has been declared not a project.

JV-24-15 – Anthony Chater – Antelope Creek – this application has been declared a project. An on-site inspection needs to be scheduled.

JV-25-15 – Anthony Chater – Antelope Creek – this application has been declared a project. An on-site inspection needs to be scheduled.

JV-16-15 – Randy Vukasin – Lump Gulch Creek – an extension to complete the project has been received. A motion was made by Gerry to approve the extension. Tom seconded the motion and the motion carried. The application has been extended to December 31, 2016.

Election of Officers:

Tom made a motion to retain the officers as they are. Gerry seconded the motion and the motion carried. John Heide will remain Chairman and Mark Gornick will remain Vice-Chairman.

Supervisors Up For Re-election:

John Heide and Jack Dawson have committed to submit their paperwork to the Clerk and Recorder.

Reports:

Supervisors Reports:

Gerry reported that he attended both the Area meeting and the State meeting. Both were informative and well attended.

NRCS Report:

Nancy submitted a written report. Please see attached.

Supervisors Reports:

No other meetings were reported at this time.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Kris Hugulet, District Administrator

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NRCS REPORT**

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**NON-COST SHARE ASSISTANCE REQUESTS**

The following are assistance requests to be completed: None

**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY INCENTIVE PROGRAM (EQIP)**

Existing Contracts: Current status and activities

**Currently have 24 active contracts in this District and 29 overall.**

- Status Reviews: continuing to work on getting these done.
- Cancellations: None
- Have had a few contracts that deleted out their last practices due to selling their property or the practice being unfeasible to complete, i.e. thinning practices contracted on too steep of ground etc...
- Application/Implementation: continue processing payments as they come in (ongoing process).

**FY 2016 Applications:**

- We currently have a total of 20 JVCD applications.

4 – Grazing  
1 – Hi Tunnel  
4 – Ten-Mile Forestry  
1 – On Farm Energy  
9 – Irrigation\  
1 – Cancelled

- We Have 5 MHCD EQIP applications - all forestry applications in Browns Gulch
- David is currently working on the 2015 approved Ten-Mile applications and certifying practices completed in active contracts

**FY 2017 Applications:**

- Signup deadline for the 2017 program year is June 1, 2016.

**\*\*Local Work Group Meeting: I would still like to hold a LWG Meeting after the February district meeting and invite all our partners: FWP, TU, additional local producers, Slough and Pipestone TAC members etc...**

**New EQIP Special Initiative: Drought Resilience Program – See Handout**

- Application deadline – February 19<sup>th</sup> 2016
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